



MELROSE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER & REMINDERS

MONDAY 19TH MAY – FRIDAY 30TH MAY – 2025



Mon 19th May

Tue 20th May

Wed 21st May

National Simultaneous Storytime 12pm

Thur 22nd May

Boys to the Bush - selected students

Friday 23rd May

Year 5/6 students - Winter Sport Afternoon

Mon 26th May

Tue 27th May

Wed 28th May

Thur 29th May

Boys to the Bush - selected students

Fri 30th May

Upper Hume Cross Country



2026 ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN!!!!

You can download an enrolment form from our school website www.melroseps.vic.edu.au or contact the office 60591955 for a hard copy of our enrolment pack!

National Simultaneous Storytime

National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA).

Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country.

NSS will be on the 21st of May at 12pm and it is expected that every class will tune in electronically during mindfulness time.

The picture book for 2025 is "The Truck Cat".

2025 WINTER SPORTS - YEAR 5/6 STUDENTS

Year 5/6 senior students will participate in their designated sport.

Venues: Soccer and Netball - Kelly Park, Lawrence St, Wodonga. League Tag - Willow Park, Pearce St, Wodonga.

Hockey - Silva Drive, Wodonga.

Multiple Dates: Afternoons 1.00pm - 3.00pm
Friday 16th May, Friday 23rd May, Friday 6th June,
Friday 13th June and Friday 20th June.

Winter Carnival: Friday 25th July 9.30am - 3pm
(Back up Dates Fri 1st August and Mon 4th August)

COST: Hockey \$6 (as they walk to venue)

COST: All other Sports \$25 as they catch buses

**Students who DO NOT HAVE PERMISSION
via the school portal app
will remain at school.**



2025 UPPER HUME CROSS COUNTRY

Friday 30/05/2025

Qualified students only - will compete in the Upper Hume Division Cross Country.

Students will wear school uniform, bring lunch, drink bottle and asthma puffer (if required).

The back up date will be Monday 3rd June.

Event will begin at 12pm and conclude by 2.30pm.

Sausages/Drinks may be available to purchase.

Students will be transported to and from the venue by bus leaving school at 11.30am.

If you wish to walk the track prior to the event you will need to be transported to and from the venue by your parent.

Activity Location

Willow Park, Pearce Street, Wodonga, VIC

Consent Due via the school portal app by:

29/05/2025

Activity Cost:

\$5.00

BOYS TO THE BUSH

The first session of the Boys to the Bush program will happen **this Thursday 22nd May**. Matt Quine will be the staff member going out with the boys who have been selected to participate in this event.

All students need to be at school at 8.45am at the latest. This program will run between school hours – so normal drop off / pick up arrangements can stay in place.

This will happen every Thursday for the next 5 weeks. The first session will be an introduction / business visit.

The boys just need to wear comfortable shoes and school uniform. A drink bottle and lunch will be provided. We encourage parents / guardians to pack snacks. They will need their hats also.

Please keep an eye out for an SMS to approve the excursion through the SIMS portal. Just a reminder there is no cost for these excursions.

SOMERS CAMP

Congratulations to the 18 Melrose students who have been selected to attend the 2025 Somers Camp, **from 17th - 25th June**.

Student profile and Medical forms have been sent home with all of these students and we ask that families please complete and return these forms to Melrose Primary School office as soon as possible.



SCHOOL BEANIE -

Weather is getting cooler – if you wish to purchase a school Beanie, we currently have them for sale at the school front office for \$20 each.

EXCURSIONS/ACTIVITIES PERMISSIONS & PAYMENTS

Parents are reminded that all school excursions, camps and activities are communicated via, and need to be permissioned, through our School Portal App.

FAMILIES RESPONSIBILITY:

- Download the school app to your mobile device, and enable notifications for this app on your device also
- Monitor the school portal app regularly to see if your child has any activities needing permission/payment
- Read the school newsletter to stay up to date with when school activities for your child are taking place
- Permission these activities **BY THE DUE DATE**
- Pay for the activity either by BPAY, EFTPOS, CASH **BY THE DUE DATE** - you can not pay for the activity through the school portal app.

As the school needs to confirm many things prior to activities, such as bus bookings, catering etc, all activities will need to be permissioned by families **by the due date which will be at least 1 day or more, prior to the event**, this due date will be listed on the school portal for each activity.

SCHOOL RESPONSIBILITY:

- Put excursions/activities on the school portal ready for parents to permission and pay
- Teachers and/or Admin staff will send SMS / Class Dojo messages/reminders in the days leading up to excursions/activities to prompt those families who have not yet permissioned
- **The day before the due date of the activity** - School will contact families who have still not permissioned.

**If permission and payment is not received by the due date,
then your child may not be able to attend that event.**

YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PERMISSION ON THE DAY OF THE EXCURSION/ACTIVITY



SCHOOL PORTAL APP



STUDENT ACTIVITIES

In the 'Activities' section of the School Portal mobile app, consent can be made for student activities, preventing the need for printed permission slips to be distributed.

Once your child has been invited to participate in an activity, you will receive a push notification through the mobile app. You will then be able to approve their participation, provide an additional note to the staff member organising the event.



DOWNLOADING THE SCHOOL PORTAL APP

Visit the App store for iOS or the Google Play store for Android devices and search for 'School Portal' to download the app. Once downloaded, launch it and enter either the mobile phone number or email address associated with your child's enrolment at the school. You will then be sent a 6-digit verification code to the email address or mobile number entered.

Please contact the school on (02) 6059 1955 if you require assistance accessing this.